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Annual Report  
of the  
Medical Officer of Health  
for the year  
1962

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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT,  
GREENFIELD STREET,  
HYDE,  
CHESHIRE.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Hyde.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report on the Health of Hyde for 1962.

In accordance with my usual practice, my comments on the various matters in the Report are to be found in the following pages.

By the time this Report is presented I shall have left your service, having been your Medical Officer of Health since March, 1960. I assure you that during this time the Health Department has continued to work for the good of the town in carrying out the policy of your Council. I find it difficult to give special notice of those whom I wish to thank. Certainly I must mention the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their direction and interest, all members of the staff for their loyal support, and the family doctors in the town for their friendly co-operation. Finally, I wish to place on record my thanks for the kindness and help given by all sections of the community which assist in running the social services of the town.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

W. TURNER,

*Medical Officer of Health.*



## **BOROUGH OF HYDE HEALTH COMMITTEE**

(31st December, 1962)

Chairman: Alderman B. S. Armitage.

His Worship the Mayor, (Councillor J. Grundy).

Councillor A. Jolly

Councillor Mrs. D. B. Norwood

Councillor J. C. N. Fell

Councillor P. Walsh

Councillor E. Morris

Councillor W. D. Wright

Councillor H. J. Leech

Councillor R. G. Mathews

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## **HYDE DIVISIONAL HEALTH COMMITTEE**

(Cheshire County Council)

Members of the Divisional Health Committee

As on 31st December, 1962.

Chairman—County Alderman W. Ford

Vice-Chairman—County Councillor W. Barton

Ex-Officio—Alderman G. Astbury (Chairman, County Health Committee)

Alderman F. McBirnie

(Deputy Chairman, County Health Committee)

County Council—W. Ford, Esq.

W. Barton, Esq.

F. Barber, Esq.

Mrs. I. Jones

T. Harrison Esq.

Hyde Borough Council—

His Worship the Mayor,

(Councillor J. Grundy)

T. W. Dent, Esq.

W. D. Wright, Esq.

G. Billinge, Esq.

Mrs. M. Bayes

Mrs. D. B. Norwood

R. Breerton, Esq.

P. Walsh, Esq.

I. Stopford, Esq.

Tintwistle R.D.C.—T. V. Fazackerley, Esq., B.E.M.

Longdendale U.D.C.—Mrs. E. Broadley. Miss D. E. Green.

Co-opted Members—

Mrs. R. M. Frost, representing Longdendale U. D. C.

Mrs. B. A. Beever, representing Tintwistle R.D.C.

Mrs. M. Sabine, representing Divisional Executive for Education

Dr. D. I. Livingstone, representing Local Medical Committee

Mrs. A. Heaton, representing District Nursing Association

Mrs. D. Adamson, representing Hyde Borough Council

Mrs. M. Barton, representing Hyde Borough Council

Mrs. D. Winder, representing Ashton, Hyde and Glossop

Hospital Management Committee

Clerk to the Committee—John Binns, Esq.



# Staff of the Borough of Hyde Health Department

## 1962

**Medical Officer of Health :** W. TURNER, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., LL.B.

**Senior Public Health Inspector :** T. NICHOLSON

**Additional Public Health Inspectors :** A. Blackhurst, J. M. Lowe,  
B. R. Nelson, C. C. Buxton

**Chief Clerk :** \* B. Gorman

**Other Clerical Staff :**

G. Stewart

K. Murphy

\* Mrs. A. Juby (nee Buttery)

\* Miss B. Thornley

**Smoke Control Assistant :** B. Selby

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## Staff of Hyde Divisional Health and School Medical Services of the Cheshire County Council

**Divisional Medical Officer and School Medical Officer :**

\*W. TURNER, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., LL.B.

**Assistant County Medical Officer :** Barbara Jones, M.B., Ch.B.

**Dental Surgeon :** Miss L. Kippen, L.D.S., D.P.D.

**Chief Clerk :** \*B. Gorman

**Ambulance Supervisor :** F. Mellor, A.M.I.E.T. (until 31st March, 1962)

**Clerical Staff :** Mrs. S. Wilson, Mrs. B. Marshall, Miss J. Newton. \*Mrs.  
A. Juby, Mrs. E. I. Cooke, \*Miss B. Thornley

**Health Visitors/School Nurses :** Miss F. Lonsdale, Miss D. Wood, Miss M.  
Taylor, Miss M. E. Marsh (resigned 31st  
March, 1962), Mrs. E. M. Lowe, Miss E.  
Evans (commenced 16th April, 1962)

**Home Nurses—Hyde :** Miss H. Sutton, Miss G. McClean,  
(Part-time staff in addition)

**Mottram and Broadbottom :** Mrs. M. Huyton.

**Hollingworth and Tintwistle :** Mrs. M. A. Clarke

**Midwives :** Miss M. Coote, Mrs. E. Hudson, Mrs. K. O'Grady,  
Mrs. M. Williams

**Junior Training Centre Supervisor :** Mrs. J. Worfolk

**Domestic Help Supervisor :** Mrs. F. Dobson (part-time)

**† Clinical Specialists attending Clinics in the Division :**

**Orthopaedic Surgeon :** Mr. Wheble, F.R.C.S.

**Gynaecologist :** R. L. Gadd, F.R.C.S., M.R.C.O.G.

**Ophthalmic Surgeon :** B. Boas, M.D., (Berlin)

† Staff of Regional Hospital Board allocated to specific duties within the Hyde  
Division

\* Part-time Divisional Health, part-time Borough Health.

## SECTION 1.

## GENERAL STATISTICS.

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## LIVE BIRTHS REGISTERED

Legitimate	...	Males	274	Females	...	224	Total	498
Illegitimate	...	Males	24	Females	...	23	Total	47
								<hr/> 545

Crude Birth Rate ... Hyde 17.05 England and Wales ... 18.0  
Comparative Birth Rate ... 18.24

## STILLBIRTHS

Legitimate ...	Males	4	Females ...	2	Total ...	6
Illegitimate ...	Males	—	Females ...	1	Total ...	1

The number of live births registered during 1962 was 45 more than the number recorded in the previous year; 66 more than the average of 479 for the previous five years.

### Location of Births

The following table indicates the location of births during the period 1956-1962:—

No. born in	1956		1957		1958		1959		1960		1961		1962	
(a) Dwelling Houses	115	% 26	151	% 33	129	% 28	151	% 30	154	% 31	143	% 29	172	% 38
(b) Maternity Homes and Hospitals	333	74	310	67	337	72	343	70	340	69	357	71	373	75

## DEATHS REGISTERED.

Males 220                  Females 225                  Total 445

Death Rate: Hyde 13.92                  England and Wales: 11.9

Comparative Death Rate: 13.36

The total number of deaths registered at all ages was 445 giving a crude death rate of 13.92 per 1,000, compared with the average figure of 14.28 for the previous five years. For comparative purposes with other areas this rate—adjusted by using the comparability figure supplied by the Registrar-General—is 13.36 per 1,000 population as against 11.9 for the whole country. There is little change in the pattern of causes of death as registered in Hyde during the past few years, the highest proportion of deaths being accounted for by diseases of the heart, haemorrhage of brain, cancer, and diseases of the respiratory organs. See Table I.

Approximately 71 per cent. of the deaths occurred in persons over pensionable age, the actual figures being:—

Deaths under 65 years of age ... ..	28.8
Deaths between 65 and 74 years of age ... ..	30.8
Deaths between 75 and 84 years of age ... ..	31.1
Deaths 85 years and over ... ..	9.3

The number of infants who died under the age of 12 months was 13 revealing an infant mortality rate of 23.85 per 1,000 births compared with the national figure of 21.4. There were 7 still-births during the year giving the still-birth rate of 12.7 per 1,000, as against the national figure of 18.1. As an indication of the risk of child-birth it is useful to consider the peri-natal mortality, i.e. still-births plus infant deaths in the first week of life. With this standard the Hyde figure is 25.36 per 1,000, and is below the national figure of 32.2 (1961) per 1,000 births.

TABLE 1—REGISTRAR GENERAL'S RETURN.

Cause of Death	Males	Females	Total
Congenital Malformations ... ..	1	3	4
Influenza ... ..	4	2	6
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ... ..	1	—	1
*Cancer—Malignant Disease ... ..	31	42	73
Leukaemia ... ..	—	1	1
Diabetes .. ...	1	5	6
Cerebral Haemorrhage, etc. ... ..	35	39	74
Heart Diseases, (Angina, Coronary) ... ..	43	33	76
Other Heart Diseases ... ..	35	31	66
Other Circulatory Diseases ... ..	7	9	16
Bronchitis ... ..	16	13	29
Pneumonia (all forms) ... ..	12	11	23
Other Respiratory Diseases ... ..	1	—	1
Ulcer of the Stomach and Duodenum ...	3	—	3
Enteritis, etc. ... ..	—	—	—
Acute and Chronic Nephritis ... ..	1	1	2
Motor Accidents ... ..	3	—	3
Other Accidents ... ..	5	2	7
Suicide and Homicide ... ..	5	—	5
Other Diseases ... ..	16	33	49
All Causes ... ..	220	225	445

\*Of these deaths, the site of the disease was:-

Stomach ... ..	6	8	14
Lungs ... ..	9	2	11
Breast ... ..	—	6	6
Uterus ... ..	—	3	3
Other ... ..	16	23	39
	31	42	73



# DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE

Number of Deaths :		Deaths per 1000 Births :	Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age :	
Legitimate ...	11	Hyde ...	...	8
Illegitimate ...	2	Eng. & Wales ...	21.4	1

TABLE 2. INFANTILE DEATHS, 1962

Causes of Death Among Infants	AGE											
	1st Four Weeks				1st Three Months				The Four Quarters			
	0-1	2	3	4	*0-1	2	3	4	*0-1	2	3	4
Atelectasis ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Maldevelopment ...	4	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	4	...	1	...
Prematurity ...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Pneumonia ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...
Cerebral Haemorrhage ...	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...
Erythroblastosis ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Causes...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...
All Causes ...	9	...	...	...	9	2	...	...	11	...	2	...
												13

\* This column includes all deaths in preceding columns

## SECTION II. INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The figures given in Tables 3 and 4 reveal the number of cases of infectious disease among the population.

TABLE 3.  
CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1962

Notifiable Diseases	Under 1 year	1	2	3	4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 24	25 plus	Age Un- known	Total
Scarlet Fever ...	—	—	1	4	6	31	3	3	—	—	48
Whooping Cough ...	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	3
Measles ... ..	1	9	9	10	6	34	—	—	—	—	69
Meningococcal Infection	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Sonne Dysentery ...	1	1	3	1	3	3	—	2	3	—	17
Puerperal Pyrexia ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	4
Tuberculosis :-											
Pulmonary	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	—	9
Non-Pulmonary	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2
Erysipelas ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Food Poisoning ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	3
	2	10	13	15	16	70	5	9	17	—	157

TABLE 4.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES 1955-1962

This table indicates the trend of the more common infectious diseases since 1955:—

	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Scarlet Fever ... ..	30	93	61	67	38	14	19	48
Measles... ..	165	4	475	217	411	17	548	69
Whooping Cough ...	22	6	68	1	39	29	16	3
Poliomyelitis... ..	1	1	—	1	—	—	2	—
Tuberculosis of Lungs	20	13	27	10	8	8	29	9
Tuberculosis of other sites	7	4	2	1	—	2	2	2

### Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention.

In urgent cases where removal to hospital is required without delay, action can be taken under the National Assistance (Amendment) Act, 1951, and an order can be made by a local Justice of the Peace requiring the patient to be taken to hospital or other suitable accommodation. The action is only taken where there is complete lack of home care and where the person refuses all care and attention.



## SECTION III.

### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE AREA.

#### Water Supply.

Water is supplied by Manchester Corporation (Woodhead supply) to approximately 11,730 dwellings in the Borough and is satisfactory in quality and quantity. The modernisation scheme which includes roofing over of service reservoirs is largely completed and a further covered reservoir is proposed to take the place of the existing open Pudding Lane reservoir. The completion of the Harrop Edge scheme has enabled water to be brought to high level areas and approximately 35 properties on Werneth Low are now connected to the mains instead of using spring water. A local supply for industrial purposes is stored in small reservoirs in the town and is filtered but unfit for domestic use without sterilisation. Mains have been renewed as necessary.

Eight samples of drinking water were taken at the tap, all of which were satisfactory. The Manchester Corporation maintains regular bacteriological and chemical analysis, including examination for Plumbo-Solvency.

#### Sewage.

Reconstruction to extend the Sewage Works was completed in 1939 involving radial flow sedimentation followed by bacteriological filtration and humus treatment. The works have recently required further extension to accommodate increased industrial flow and overspill development in the Hattersley area. These extensions are nearing completion.

#### Public Swimming Baths.

The Hyde Corporation Baths were opened on 4th May, 1899, and extended in 1913. Of the two Swimming Pools, one has a capacity of 100,000 gallons and the other 60,000 gallons. There are also two suites of Slipper Baths—Males 14 and Females 7; and 1 Russian Remedial Bath which will accommodate 6 persons at a time.

A Municipal Laundry was attached to the Baths in 1955, consisting of eight Laundry Benches in which washer, spin dryer and sink are combined, and twelve drying horses. There were 13,567 users during the year.

The heating of the Baths and Laundry is carried out by a Lancashire Boiler combined with a Hodgkinson's underfeed automatic stoker and automatic water feed-pump.

The water supplied to the Baths is that collected locally for Industrial use stored in reservoirs within the town boundary and is filtered prior to delivery. The Filtration system installed in 1938 consists of two horizontal Pulsometer Filters with a turnover of 2½ hours for each pool. Each pool has its own chlorinator which operates the breakpoint system with which a free chlorine residual of 2 p.p.m. is maintained. Chlorine content and pH value are tested by means of a colorimetric Lovibond comparator using ortho-tolidine for chlorine content and phenol red for pH value. A pH value of 7.8 to 8.0 is maintained.

Two samples of water have been taken with satisfactory results. No B.Coli have been found in any sample taken since June, 1949.

The number of bathers and spectators for the year ended 31st March, 1963, was 173,816 compared with 169,715 for the year 1961-62.

## Swimming Instruction of School Children.

The Swimming Baths are extensively used by Education Departments for the teaching of swimming to scholars in Hyde, Longdendale, Bredbury and Denton.

Both Swimming Pools are in use from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. from Monday to Friday inclusive making 110 classes per week. The number of scholars who attended the baths during the 1962 season was 50,966. Two qualified instructors, (one to each pool) assisted by the class teachers give swimming instruction. Various tests of ability are carried out from time to time, the final test being "The Advanced Certificate of Swimming," the winners of which receive free contracts carrying admission to the baths during the following season. 71 free contracts were issued in 1962.

## SECTION IV.

Services administered by the Hyde and Longdendale Divisional Health Committee through powers delegated by the County Council.

### CARE OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN.

#### General Clinics and Welfare Centres.

Planning for development of clinic services in the Division continued during 1962. Outline plans for the new Central Clinic and Divisional Health Office in Hyde were under consideration. The suggested addition of a dental clinic to the existing child welfare centre at Wednes-hough Green, Hollingworth, was rejected in favour of a new clinic which it is hoped to build on a site adjacent to Market Street, Hollingworth. During the year the Divisional Health Committee decided that because of increasing population at Gee Cross, Hyde, the need exists for a branch clinic in that area and it is hoped that arrangements will be made during 1963 for this to come into operation. These developments, together with the new clinic which is to be built at Hattersley will transform the appearance of the clinics throughout the Division.

The number of infants born in the Division fell slightly from 628 in 1961 to 617 in 1962. The several clinics in the Division continued to be well attended as will be seen in Table 1a. At each of the clinics listed below there is a Voluntary Committee of ladies to assist with clerical work, weighing of babies and the sale of welfare and proprietary foods. By doing this they relieve the Health Visitor of routine work and enable her to devote more time to individual mothers. The services of these Voluntary Committees are greatly appreciated in Hyde, Longdendale and Tintwistle.

At certain clinics ante-natal classes are held for mothers who are expected to be confined at home, and the attendances are summarised in table I(b). It is of interest to note that the number of expectant mothers seen at these clinics has risen steadily each year from 44 in 1951 to 229 in 1962, and almost every mother who has her baby at home is now being seen, which, together with alternating visits to her family doctor is the basis of good ante-natal care. The services during this time have improved, especially at Parsonage Street. Routine blood specimens are taken; relaxation classes and informal talks are carried out at the same visit; both medical and nursing staff have been free from sudden disruptive change; because of all these factors the good will and co-operation with family doctors has been steadily established.



The Clinics administered by the Divisional Committee are as follows:-

TABLE I.  
(a) Infant Welfare.

	No. of Sessions	New Cases	Total atten- dances	Ex'd. by Doctor	Average Attendances 1962	Pre- vious 5 yrs.
Hyde (Parsonage Street) ...	97	290	5,087	803	52	52
Hyde (Bayley Hall) ... ..	101	183	4,290	827	42	42
Hollingworth ... ..	24	47	1254	244	52	47
Tintwistle ... ..	24	31	700	127	29	28
Broadbottom ... ..	24	24	627	181	26	28

(b) Mothers.

	No. of Sessions	New Cases	Total atten- dances	Ex'd. by Doctor	Average Attendances 1961
Ante-natal (Domiciliary Cases)	50	229	782	780	16
Ante-natal Relaxation Classes ...	48	111	827	—	17
Dental (ante-natal) ... ..	—	9	15	—	—
Dental (post-natal) ... ..	—	14	51	—	—

#### HYDE—PARSONAGE STREET.

In addition to services run by the County Council this Clinic is used daily for Physiotherapy treatment under the administration of the Hyde Orthopaedic After-Care Committee. There is also an ante-natal clinic for mothers who are to have their babies in hospital which is attended by a Consultant Obstetrician and Staff from the Aspland Maternity Home.

Sessions are held as follows:—

Monday 2 to 4 p.m.: Child Welfare Clinic at which a Medical Officer and Health Visitor attend.

Monday (1st and 3rd) 2 to 4 p.m.: Toddlers' Clinic (by appointment)

Tuesday (1st and 3rd) 10 a.m. to 12 noon: Clinic for testing hearing of toddlers. This is conducted by a specially trained Health Visitor.

Wednesday 2 to 4 p.m.: Child Welfare Clinic attended by a Medical Officer and two Health Visitors.

Thursday 2 to 4 p.m.: Ante-natal Clinic for cases who wish to be confined at home. A Medical Officer, Health Visitor and Domiciliary Midwife attend and relaxation classes are conducted by Physiotherapists.

## HYDE—BAYLEY HALL.

Monday (2nd and 4th) 2 to 4 p.m.: Clinic for testing hearing of toddlers.  
This is conducted by a specially trained Health Visitor.

Tuesday 2 to 4 p.m.; Child Welfare Clinic attended by a Medical Officer and Health Visitor.

Friday 2 to 4 p.m.: Child Welfare Clinic attended by a Medical Officer and Health Visitor.

## HOLLINGWORTH.

Sessions are held at Wedneshough Green Clinic as follows:—

Tuesday 3 to 5 p.m.: Ante-natal Clinic at which a Health Visitor and Midwife attend.

Thursday (1st and 3rd) 2 to 4 p.m.: Child Welfare Clinic at which a General Practitioner and Health Visitor attend.

A Medical Officer attends monthly at an immunisation clinic.

## BROADBOTTOM.

A General Practitioner and a Health Visitor attend the Child Welfare Clinic at the Methodist Church School on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

## TINTWISTLE.

A General Practitioner and Health Visitor attend the Child Welfare Clinic held in Christ Church School on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

From the above clinics children under five may be referred for opinion or treatment to special clinics. Ophthalmic and Dental cases are dealt with at the School Clinic; Orthopaedic and Ultra Violet Ray Clinics are held at the Physiotherapy Centre, Parsonage Street. Hearing tests of infants are carried out by Health Visitors specially experienced in the methods used.

Details are given in Table II. below:—

TABLE II.

	New Cases	Attendances	Professional Con-sultations
Orthopaedic ... ..	76	142	161
Ultra Violet Ray—Children ... ..	97	958	6
Ophthalmic ... ..	12	32	35
Dental - Children ... ..	41	64	64
Hearing - Children ... ..	258	274	—

## SALE OF WELFARE AND PROPRIETARY FOODS.

### National Welfare Foods.

National Dried Milk, Orange Juice, Cod Liver Oil, and Vitamin Tablets are issued from the Divisional Office and from each of the Child Welfare Clinics. Table III(a) gives particulars of the issues during the year.

1962 was the first full year in which the effect of the new charges for Welfare Foods was seen. There has been a general decrease in the distribution of these foods, particularly marked in the issues of Orange Juice which fell from 14,191 bottles in 1960 to 5,610 bottles in 1962.

TABLE III(a).

	£	s.	d.
National Dried Milk—4,311 tins at 2/4d. each ... ..	502	19	0
National Dried Milk—1,208 tins at 4/-d. each ... ..	241	12	0
National Dried Milk—126 tins free ... ..			
Orange Juice—5,437 bottles at 1/6d. each ... ..	407	15	6
Orange Juice—173 bottles free ... ..			
Cod Liver Oil—577 bottles at 1/-d. each ... ..	28	17	0
Cod Liver Oil—41 bottles free ... ..			
Vitamin A and D—537 packets at 6d. each ... ..	13	8	6
Vitamin A and D—8 packets free ... ..			

### Proprietary Foods.

A small selection of infant foods, mainly milk and cereal products are sold at the Infant Welfare Centres. The amounts sold at Hyde are given in table III(b). At other clinics the sale of proprietary foods is controlled entirely by the Voluntary Committees. The supplies for the Voluntary Committees in Longdendale and Tintwistle are now received into the new food store at the Divisional Office and distributed to the Centres every month.

TABLE III(b).

	Proprietary Milk Foods Total Sales	Other Nourishments (Proprietary) Total Sales
Hyde—Parsonage Street	£510 17s. 6d.	£135 7s. 7d.
Hyde—Bayley Hall	£509 8s. 1d.	£142 0s. 1d.

Other Clinics (supplied by Voluntary Committees—

Amounts not available)

# HEALTH VISITORS

During 1962 four Health Visitors were employed on full time duties in the Borough of Hyde and one Health Visitor was employed in the Longdendale and Tintwistle districts. The duties of the Health Visitor include the visiting of families with children under five. She advises the parents on general health, matters affecting the family and on the mental, physical and emotional health of children which includes advice on parent-craft and house-hold management where necessary. Apart from the routine first visit to new born babies further visiting is of necessity selective.

The Health Visitor attends the Child Welfare and Ante-natal Clinics, gives advice and talks on health education and mother-craft, in conjunction with the midwives. An increasing amount of time has been taken up in visiting the aged and in many instances the Health Visitor has co-operated with voluntary organisations and the family doctor in an endeavour to keep old persons healthy in their own homes as long as possible.

In her general role of family visitor she is often the first person to observe the onset of physical or mental stress and can arrange help either through statutory or voluntary services at an early stage.

During the year Miss M. E. Marsh left to work with S.S.A.F.F.A. in Germany. During her stay in Hyde she had done much valuable work particularly amongst families in the Newton area of Hyde. Her place is taken by Miss E. Evans.

TABLE IV.  
NUMBERS AND TYPES OF VISITS TO HOMES.

	Mothers Ante- Natal	Children Under 1 yr.	1-5 years	School	Re Home Helps	T.B.	Mental Cases	After Care	Other
Hyde	198	2389	4358	385	25	251	--	762	279
Longdendale and Tintwistle	205	874	1695	97	12	52	11	494	472
Total 1962	403	3263	6053	482	37	303	11	1256	751
Total 1961	486	3729	7029	523	71	349	8	1470	850

The total number of visits paid was 13,437.

Four of the Health Visitors possess motor cars and travelling expenses are provided by the County Council under the Essential Car User Scheme of payments.



## HOME NURSING.

In this Division two full time nurses live at 17, Henry Street, Hyde, which belongs to the County Council. Two other full time nurses living in their own homes work in the Longdendale and Tintwistle areas. These full time nurses are assisted by part time staff where necessary.

Home Nursing is a most important part of the Health Service, and although administered by the County Council, the General Practitioners are able to call directly upon the service. Much of the work is concerned with the elderly and infirm who are sometimes permanently confined to bed. Time is often given by the Home Nurses encouraging and giving support to relatives who have chronic sick patients living with them in their own homes.

The Nurses have access to certain aids and equipment which are listed in the Care and After-Care section of this report.

The numbers of cases tended by the Domiciliary Nursing Service in the Division during 1962 are listed below in Table V.

TABLE V.

					New Cases		Total Visits Paid	
					1962	1961	1962	1961
Hyde	...	...	...	...	324	370	8758	9647
Mottram and Broadbottom	...				76	72	2379	2372
Hollingworth and Tintwistle	...				68	48	1871	1892
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					468	490	13008	13911
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## DOMICILIARY MIDWIFERY.

Of the 617 infants born in the Division during 1962, 189 were delivered at home and attended by a midwife on the staff of the Cheshire County Council. Three midwives are employed in the Hyde area and one in the Longdendale and Tintwistle areas. In three instances they live in houses owned by the District Council, but rented and maintained by the County Council.

## IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION.

### (1) Immunisation against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus.

The figures contained in the following table show the number of children who have been protected against Diphtheria and Whooping Cough. It is in fact usual to employ a mixed vaccine effective against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus for infants and to use a product effective against Diphtheria and Tetanus for the Booster injections given upon entry to school.

	Primary and Reinforcing Treatments			Total under 15	
	Under 1	1-4	5-14	1962	(1961)
Diphtheria (Primary)	352	50	74	476	815
Diphtheria (Reinforcing)	3	12	557	572	1115
Whooping Cough (Primary)	319	45	9	373	724

### (2) Vaccination against Smallpox.

The following table gives the number of persons vaccinated in the Division during 1962. The figures are much higher than usual because of the demand for vaccination by the general public which occurred during a Smallpox outbreak at the beginning of the year. There were no cases in the Division but tracing of contacts followed by vaccination was necessary.

	Under 1	1	2-4	5-14	15 and over	Total	(1961)
Number vaccinated	305	71	165	706	1028	2275	320
Number re-vaccinated	—	2	30	271	989	1292	63

### (3) Vaccination against Poliomyelitis.

During the year there was a change from the injection (Salk) vaccine to Oral (Sabin) vaccine, particularly for persons being protected for the first time. Supplies were plentiful and the position in regard to patients being dealt with by the Health Department was that protection was completed in all cases and no waiting list now exists. There is at present little demand outside the routine vaccination of infants. There is a generally satisfactory level of immunity in persons under the age of about 18 years, but above this age the proportion of vaccinated persons drops markedly.

The following tables show the numbers of treatments given since the beginning of the campaign in 1956:—

(i) INJECTION VACCINE.

Year	Initial Protection of two doses	Booster Protection of one dose	4th dose	Total Injections given
1956	1069	—	—	2138
1957	1166	—	—	2332
1958	4480	88	—	9048
1959	2237	4392	—	8866
1960	2112	1899	—	4077
1961	4079	1193	1254	6586
	<u>15143</u>	<u>7572</u>	<u>1254</u>	<u>33047</u>

(ii) ORAL AND INJECTION VACCINE — 1962

			Salk	Oral
First Dose...	...	...	448	234
Second Dose	...	...	461	233
Third Dose	...	...	1,461	302
Fourth Dose	...	...	453	16
			<u>2,823</u>	<u>785</u>
Total...			3,608	

(4) Vaccination against Tuberculosis.

B.C.G. Vaccination is carried out by Medical Officers of the Division and to a small extent at hospitals which are beginning to offer vaccination as a routine to new born babies. The procedure involves a pre-vaccination test in order to pick out those children who are immune to Tuberculosis because of previous contact. As the amount of Tuberculosis in the community declines so the numbers of immune children are declining with the consequent increase in the numbers having to be vaccinated with B.C.G.

In certain cases some of the children found to have a severe re-action to the pre-vaccination test require a chest X-Ray to eliminate the possibility of a recent Tuberculous infection. This service has now been arranged with the kind co-operation of Ashton Chest Clinic.

The following table gives the position during 1962:—

Number of children receiving treatment during 1962 ... 229

Tests carried out revealed that (a) 35 were immune to T.B.

(b) 194 were susceptible to T.B. and these were vaccinated by B.C.G.

## CARE AND AFTER CARE.

### Tuberculosis.

The number of patients on the T.B. register kept in this Division continues to decline as will be seen from the table below. It will probably be some years yet before this disease disappears. There is a considerable reservoir particularly among the older age groups and the Chest Clinic at Ashton which does such valuable work in the diagnosis and prevention of Tuberculosis is still extremely busy. The use of mass radiography and B.C.G. vaccination continues.

The numbers recorded in the Tuberculosis Registers on 31st December, 1962, were as under:—

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
Hyde.....	61	45	6	7	119
Longdendale ...	12	5	2	1	20
Tintwistle .....	1	-	-	-	1
Totals .....	74	50	8	8	140
(1961) .....	85	58	8	6	157

### The Supply of Nursing Requisites.

Patients nursed in their own homes are provided with nursing requisites on a loan basis. These articles are stored partly in this office and partly by the District Nurses in their own homes. In addition, there are some items at Hollingworth Clinic and one small store is kept in a private house in Broadbottom for which a rental of 10/- per annum is paid to the house-holder.

During the year it was decided that no charge should be made upon the loan of items of equipment other than a returnable deposit on certain costly pieces of apparatus. Also during 1962 the use of disposable draw sheets for the nursing of incontinent persons became established. The use of these sheets abolishes the need for the laundry of bed clothing and has proved of great benefit in households where these difficult patients are being nursed.



The following aids have been issued during the year:—

Wheel chairs ... .. 22	Air-rings and cushions ... 35
Commodes ... .. 2	Rubber sheets .. ... 29
Crutches ... .. 6	Bed-pans ... .. 42
Back rests ... .. 20	Urinals ... .. 19
Feeding cups ... .. 1	Spinal carriages ... .. 1
Bed cages ... .. 1	Enuresis Alarms ... .. 5
Breast pumps ... .. 1	Walking sticks... .. 2
Sets of Cutlery	Seat-aids ... .. 1
(special type) 1	Oxford hoists .. ... 1

## Convalescent Treatment.

The Divisional Health Committee is not responsible for sending patients to convalescent homes where it is really an extension of hospital treatment. The cases sent to these homes consist of people who require a rest and change of air following illness treated at home, or unusual circumstances in the home following which they are advised to have a complete rest. The cost of provision of convalescent treatment during 1962 was unusually high following a decision to send a mother and her three children for a month to Brentwood Recuperative Centre, Marple, in an attempt to avoid the complete break up of a family in Hyde. The result of this was sufficiently encouraging for the management of the Centre to provide another two weeks accommodation for this family from funds at their disposal.

During the year accommodation was arranged for 14 adults and 6 children at a total cost of £302 5s. 2d. Adults in receipt of National Assistance and children of school age receive this free of cost to themselves.

During 1962 £10 6s. 4d. was chargeable to patients.

## Chiropody.

The Chiropody service is available to persons of pensionable age and certain handicapped people. Chiropody is provided free to patients whose incomes fall below a given figure and most of the cases are receiving free treatment.

Patients may go to the Chiropodist of choice provided the Chiropodist has such qualifications as entitle him to be on the approved list of the Cheshire County Council. The patients are enabled to have an initial course of six treatments at monthly intervals, and thereafter to have six treatments every year. In certain very exceptional cases, monthly treatment may be continued on the certificate of the Divisional Medical Officer.

In this Division the numbers are proving the scheme to be a great success and it has been the subject of favourable comment amongst elderly people who are being made more comfortable so that they can do their work and shopping with greater ease than before.

156 applications were received during 1962, of these 143 were granted free treatment and 13 were granted treatment at a reduced cost. The position on 31st December, 1962, is summarised in the table below:—

Number of persons receiving Chiropody ... ..	692
Number of persons receiving free Chiropody ... ..	647
Number of persons receiving Chiropody at reduced cost ... ..	45
Number of persons receiving Chiropody as handicapped persons...	22
Number of persons receiving monthly or 6 weekly treatments on the certificate of the Divisional Medical Officer	51

## HANDICAPPED PERSONS.

Under Section 29 of the National Assistance Act, 1948, the County Council provides Welfare Services for Handicapped Persons and a scheme under this heading has been made the responsibility of the County Health Committee.

In addition to the services of Nurses, Health Visitors and Home Helps the following aid was given to the handicapped in this Division during 1962:—

- (i) 1 bath safety rail.
- (ii) Handrails (outside) 1 prefab.
- (iii) Levelling of area between steps.
- (iv) Alterations to footpath etc. for electrically propelled chair.

Much of the work for handicapped persons in the Division is carried out by voluntary associations who receive grants from the County Council to help them carry out their duties. The Blind Welfare Society at Ashton-under-Lyne and the Ashton Institute for the Deaf carry out much work in the Division. The Manchester Cripples' Aid Society has a club which meets weekly, on Tuesdays, at the P.S.A. Hall. This Society also provides visitors for handicapped people, some of these visitors being trained to give occupational therapy. During the year I have referred to the Society two special cases of handicapped persons who require some training at home.

Car badges used by handicapped persons were renewed as necessary.

## DOMESTIC HELP SERVICE.

This service continued as a most valuable aid in the maintenance of sick and aged people in their own homes. In addition some help was given to mothers having their babies in their own homes.

The work of the Domestic Helps is administered by a part time Supervisor who works equally in this Division and at Stalybridge and Dukinfield. The Supervisor also does much work in visiting new applicants for Domestic Help and assessing their needs. During 1962 domestic assistance was provided as below:—

Maternity cases	... ..	17
Chronic sick including aged and infirm persons	... ..	176
Other sick persons	.. ...	8
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		201
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All the Domestic Helps are employed as temporary staff; the total number of hours worked being 22,105¼.

During 1962 the Supervisor paid the following visits:—

Initial visits to new applicants	... ..	155
Check visits	... ..	416
Re-visits	... ..	61
Recruitment visits	... ..	79
Other visits	... ..	324
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		1035

Varying charges for Help are made according to the income of the household. The charges now range from 3d. to 4/3d. per hour.

The total amount charged to patients during 1962 was £864 16s. 2d. Arrangements can be approved by the Divisional Health Committee whereby the cost of a Domestic Help can be recovered in the future from the estate of an aged person.

## CARE OF THE AGED.

The majority of elderly people in this Division, when the time comes that they are unable to look after themselves, receive great help from the services of the Health Visitor, Domestic Help, District Nurse, or Chiropodist. In addition the Meals on Wheels Service administered by the Women's Voluntary Service in the area, provides a hot meal on one or two days a week for a large number of people. Provision of accommodation in hospital or old people's homes is insufficient particularly during the winter, and again the Division can usually provide services during the waiting period for such accommodation.



## Pole Bank Hall and Bowlacre.

During the year visits of inspection were made to these two old peoples' homes run by the Borough of Hyde Welfare Committee. At Bowlacre there is accommodation for 38 elderly people, and at Pole Bank Hall accommodation for 40 women. The Homes proved most satisfactory and provided a most useful service for the old people of Hyde.

## County Council Welfare Homes.

There are several homes throughout the County administered by the County Welfare Committee. The preliminary investigation as to the need and suitability for such accommodation is commonly made by the Health Visitors in the Division. During the year 24 cases were referred to the County Welfare Department through the Divisional Office, and 10 were referred by other people, for example by the patient's general practitioner.

## MENTAL HEALTH.

Mr. J. Thompson, the Senior Mental Welfare Officer and his Staff have investigated, within the Hyde and Longdendale Division 116 cases referred to them on the grounds of mental disorder. These cases were disposed of as follows:—

67 were admitted to Hospital.

2 were referred to County Welfare Officer for residential accommodation.

In 31 cases no action was taken under the Mental Health Act but in most of these cases the patient was examined by a Consultant Psychiatrist, accompanied by a Mental Welfare Officer.

Admission of 1 case was arranged to a Medical Ward.

Admission of 1 case was arranged to Geriatric Ward.

In 12 cases appointments were made for patients to be seen at Psychiatric Out-Patient Clinics.

1 case was referred to the Divisional Medical Officer for action under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act.

In 1 case arrangements were made for the patient to attend the Sheltered Workshops at the Cheadle Royal Hospital on a day basis.

Regular visits have also been paid by Mr. Thompson and his Staff to mentally sub-normal patients in their own homes.

The help of the Department in arranging to see that patients keep clinic appointments has been given increasingly and the number of cases referred to the Department for after care on discharge from hospital has also increased to a marked extent.

## Junior Training Centre

The Centre continued in Gee Cross Methodist School, Stockport Road, Hyde, the staff being the Supervisor, together with 3 assistant supervisors, 1 cleaner, 1 meals assistant and 2 coach guides. At the end of the year there were 63 children on the register with the addition of 8 children who attended part time—13 from Hyde, 15 from Stalybridge/Dukinfield, and 35 from the North East Cheshire Division. The average attendance was 45. There were 13 pupils over 16 years old for whom, in due course, the proposed new adult training centre should be of great benefit.

In addition 5 children, who were having difficulty in talking were having regular sessions with Mrs. Eaton, the Speech Therapist who is responsible for treatment of school children.

The Rotary Club of Hyde provided a day excursion to Chester Zoo on 22nd May, 1962, and gifts and entertainments at the childrens' party on 18th December, 1962. The Parents' Day was held on the 18th July, and an excellent Christmas Play on 13th and 15th December, was attended by parents and friends, and by a group of girls from Astley Grammar School.

The Hyde Branch of the Society for Mentally Handicapped Children was active during the year, and continue to hold meetings on the premises.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

### 1. Health Education.

As has been referred to earlier in this report active education through poster displays, talks, film strips has been arranged at each of the Clinics.

### 2. Day Nurseries.

Inspections have been made of the Day Nursery at Ashton Brothers, Carrfield Mills, Hyde. This Nursery is registered to have 56 children and has proved satisfactory in all respects

## AMBULANCE SERVICE.

Work concerned with the equipment for radio control of ambulance vehicles was completed early in the year. On 1st April the running of the Ambulance Service was removed from Divisional control and placed under central County administration operating in this area from the new Control Centre at Cheadle. Figures in this report relate only to the first three months of the year.

It is proper at this time to record that the Divisional Ambulance Service had worked efficiently since 1948 and had provided a vital service in this area. The Divisional Health Committee and in particular its Ambulance Service Sub-Committee can feel proud of the work achieved. The staff of the Ambulance Service were transferred entirely to County Control but grateful thanks to their services is on record from the Divisional Health Committee. I wish to echo those thanks to Mr. F. Mellor, Ambulance Supervisor, and all members of his staff in this Annual Report, which will be the last in which Divisional responsibility for the service will be recorded.

The Hyde Ambulance Vehicles made 1,453 journeys to convey 5,501 patients for a total distance of 28,180 miles during 1962. Emergency cases requiring immediate attention, such as road, industrial and home accidents, sudden illness, maternity and other urgent cases, accounted for 577 calls.

The following is a monthly record of duties performed by the Ambulance Service during 1962:—

Month	Journeys	Patients	Emergencies	Mileage
January ...	485	1,726	198	9,514
February ...	451	1,721	182	8,806
March ...	517	2,054	197	9,860
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Totals ..	1,453	5,501	577	28,180
(1961) ...	6,028	21,413	2,437	112,380
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Arrangements were made for the long distance transport of 8 patients by ambulance and train for a total distance of 700 miles.

The particulars shown below relate to the vehicles in use during the year :—

Ambulances	Year	Make	Mileage completed
No. 12 241 BMB	1957	Bedford	63,122
No. 14 814 DMA	1958	Bedford	38,947
No. 17 834 BMB	1957	Bedford	98,436

Sitting-case Vehicles

No. 11 XMB 274	1956	Bedford	130,906
No. 15 114 JMA	1959	Bedford	60,155
No. 16 846 MMA	1960	Morris	31,977
No. 18 543 TMB	1961	Morris	4,137

The following analysis gives details of the work done by each vehicle :—

Ambulances

Vehicle No.	Journeys	Patients	Emergencies	Mileage
12	114	382	58	2,346
14	272	929	241	4,765
17	201	741	140	3,436
	587	2,052	439	10,547

Sitting-case Vehicles

11	128	534	16	2,899
15	390	1,349	87	7,555
16	199	971	26	4,429
18	149	595	9	2,750
	866	3,449	138	17,633



## SECTION V.

### SCHOOL CHILDREN—MEDICAL EXAMINATION

The following particulars relate to various aspects of the examination of school children and give only those which are of a general character:—

	Total
The number on the registers on 31/12/62, Seniors, Juniors, Infants ... ..	4,326
The number examined as age groups—Seniors 576, Juniors 516, Infants 508 ... ..	1,600
“ “ examined as specials ... ..	7
“ “ re-inspected ... ..	473
“ “ satisfactory ... ..	100%
“ “ unsatisfactory ... ..	—
“ “ of those examined who required medical treat- ment ... ..	12.37%
“ “ of those examined who required further obser- vation ... ..	28.56%
“ “ new cases found to have defective vision ...	54
“ “ examined for spectacles (including re-exam- ination at Clinics) ... ..	323
“ “ examined by the School Dentist in Hyde Schools ... ..	2,279
“ “ found to require treatment ... ..	1,396
“ “ treated in Clinic ... ..	696
“ “ treated under a general anaesthetic ... ..	284
Total number of attendances at Dental Clinic ... ..	1,943
Total number of attendances at Speech Clinic ... ..	782
Total number of examinations of children by School Nurses for uncleanliness	10,220
The number of children found to be verminous ... ..	336
The number of attendances at the Orthopaedic Clinic ... ..	683
The number of attendances at the U.V.R. Clinic ... ..	1795
The number of cases treated at the School Clinic ... ..	364
The number of attendances by the above cases (School Clinic) ...	545
The number of examinations and re-examinations by Medical Officer in Clinic	204
The number of Visits to parents by School Nurses re children ...	482

## SECTION VI.

### REPORT OF THE SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Hyde.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my report on the work carried out by the Public Health Inspectors' section of the Health Department during 1962.

As the report shows, this has probably been our busiest year in Slum Clearance, and it is likely that the rate of progress in this field will become even more rapid. In Smoke Control, too, this has been a busy year.

The opening of the new slaughterhouse at the factory of T. Wall & Son Ltd., has, however, provided the greatest increase in our work. Two additional public health inspectors have been engaged to cope with meat inspection at this slaughterhouse, and as the "kill" increases it is intended to engage more inspectors in 1963.

While we realise that Dr. Turner's move to Huddersfield is a matter for congratulation, all the members of the Health Department regret losing him as our M.O.H. During his three years with us he has been an inspiring leader, and I would like to express my appreciation of his support during that time. I would also like to express my appreciation to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their support, and to the staff of the Health Department for their loyal help and co-operation.

Your obedient servant,

T. NICHOLSON.

## HOUSING

### Slum Clearance

During the year nineteen Clearance Areas were represented. Four were made the subject of Compulsory Purchase Orders No. 66 (Grafton Street); No. 67 (Victoria Street); No 71 (Wych Fold); and No. 75 (Kemp Street); the remainder being Clearance Orders. The Clearance Areas were:—

No. 64 (Croft Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7 houses
No. 65 (Oldham Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 houses
No. 66 (Grafton Street)	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	19 houses
No. 67 (Victoria Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18 houses
No. 68 (Bradford Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11 houses
No. 69 (Wharf Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 houses
No. 70 (Unsworth Court)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 houses
No. 71 (Wych Fold)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3 houses
No. 72 (Manchester Road)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3 houses
No. 73 (Well Row)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14 houses
No. 74 (King Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17 houses
No. 75 (Kemp Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43 houses
No. 76 (Canal Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5 houses
No. 77 (Middleton Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4 houses
No. 78 (Hamnett Court)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6 houses
No. 79 (Victoria Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 houses
No. 80 (Newton Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16 houses
No. 81 (Spring Street)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5 houses
No. 82 (Ridling Lane)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11 houses

Objections were made in respect of five areas (3 C.P.O's. and two Clearance Orders). The objections were in respect of No. 64 (1 house); No. 66 (2 houses); No. 67 (18 houses); No. 70 (1 house and shop); No. 75 (21 houses). Public Inquiries were held over four of the areas and a public hearing concerning the other (No. 70).

In addition 13 Individual Unfit Houses were represented, these being dealt with as follows:—

Demolition Orders	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Closing Orders	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Council owned houses certified by M.O.H. to be unfit	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

### Statistics

#### Number of New Houses Erected During the Year :

1. By the Local Authority ... .. 98
2. By other bodies or persons ... .. 118



**Inspection of Dwelling-Houses During the Year :**

1.	(a)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ...	1463
	(b)	Number of inspections made for this purpose ... ..	3096
2.	(a)	Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932 ...	288
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose ... ..	407
3.		Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation...	119
4.		Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation ... ..	595

**Remedy of Defects During the Year Without Service of Formal Notice :**

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ... ..	139
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**Action under Statutory Powers During the Year :**

Proceedings under Public Health Acts:—

(1)	Number of houses in respect of which Notices were served ... ..	74
(2)	Number of houses in which defects were remedied:—	
	(a) By Owners ... ..	47
	(b) By Local Authority ... ..	27

**Overcrowding**

One case of overcrowding was relieved during the year, a family of ten persons. The total number of overcrowded houses is three, containing three families and a total of 22 persons.

**Defective Houses.**

	1934-53	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	Total
Houses demolished or finally closed	429	7	36	73	33	172	199	110	94	185	1338
Houses or parts of houses closed or vacated ... ..	71	20	18	6	11	1	—	—	—	—	127

# Number of Persons Displaced from Houses to be Demolished or Closed :

From	Families	Persons
Clearance Areas ... 1962 ...	67	211
Individual Houses... 1962 ...	10	35
Total since inception of programme in 1934... ..	1242	3929

## Re-Housing.

I am indebted to Mr. E. Townend, Housing Officer, for the following figures which refer to the re-housing of families in Corporation houses in 1962:—

Exchanges and Transfers (including one Tubercular family) ...	71
Families re-housed from unfit houses (including one Tubercular family) ...	117
Families on general waiting list re-housed	
from lodgings ... ..	15
Others ... ..	48
Total lettings ... ..	251

## Certificates of Disrepair.

Number of applications for Certificates of Disrepair under the Rent Act, 1957 ... ..	1
Number of notices of intention to issue a Certificate of Disrepair served on owners ... ..	1
Number of applications not granted ... ..	—
Number of undertakings given by owner ... ..	—
Number of Certificates of Disrepair issued ... ..	1
Number of applications by landlord for cancellation of Certificate of Disrepair ... ..	—
Number of Certificates of Disrepair cancelled ... ..	—
Number of applications for cancellation refused ... ..	—

## Disinfection and Disinfestation.

During the year one house was disinfected following infectious disease. In addition, the following articles were destroyed at the request of their owners, following deaths, long illnesses, or for other reasons:—

Beds	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	97
Bedsteads	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Mattresses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	82
Pillows	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	84
Bundles of Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Rubbish and Filth	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37

Four houses were found to be bug infested, and were treated by the Department. Two were Council houses.

Treatment was also carried out for the eradication of other insect pests from houses and food premises including:—

Beetles (cockroaches) etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Silver Fish	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2

### Closet Accommodation.

The number of premises fitted with closets of the various types at the end of 1962 was approximately:—

W.C's. with cistern flush	W.C's. hand flushed and waste water	Privies	Pails	Chemical Closets
8,913	... 3,229	... 9	... 55	8

### Closet Accommodation

To encourage the conversion of slop-closets to cistern-flushed W.C's. the Council have provided a grant of £5 to be paid for each conversion in approved cases. Payment of these grants commenced on 1st April, 1948, and up to the end of 1962, 1,047 grants were approved. During the financial year 1962-63, 100 grants were provided for, but only 65 of these were taken. It appears that we have reached the stage when only a few voluntary conversions will be made, and for that reason the Council has decided to arrange a programme for the compulsory conversion of slop-closets in premises not included in the Slum Clearance Programmes, and also to notify owners of houses in this category of the facilities available for improving their houses with the aid of Standard Grants and Improvement Grants. The £5 voluntary grant will be discontinued, but voluntary grants will still be permitted in approved cases in addition to the compulsory conversions.

### Inspection of the Borough

The following table has been prepared to show the number and nature of the inspections made during the year, the number and type of notices served, and the result of such notices.

TABLE 5. STATEMENT OF SANITARY INSPECTIONS FOR YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31st, 1962

Inspections		No. of Notices served		Results of Service of Notices		Notices Outstanding
Nature	Number	Informal	Statutory	Complied with by owner or occupier	Complied with by Corporation in default	
Certificates of Disrepair ... ..	288	...	...	...	...	...
Recorded Housing Inspections ... ..	1085	...	...	...	...	...
Other Houses under P.H.A. or H.A.	1426	423	73	446	27	23
Revisits to property under notice ... ..	36	...	...	...	...	...
Courts, Yards and Passages ... ..	35	...	...	...	...	...
Pail Closets... ..	95	3	1	4	...	...
Ashbins and Ashpits ... ..	12	...	...	...	...	...
Premises re keeping of Animals ... ..	130	...	...	...	...	...
Slaughterhouses ... ..	412	118	...	118	...	...
Visits re Defective Water Supplies ... ..	7	...	...	...	...	...
Ice Cream Premises ... ..	65	...	...	...	...	...
Bakehouses... ..	15	...	...	...	...	...
Licensed Premises ... ..	547	...	...	...	...	...
Other Food Premises ... ..	76	...	...	...	...	...
Farms and Dairies... ..	2	...	...	...	...	...
Milk—Tubercle Bacilli Samples ... ..	2	...	...	...	...	...
Methylene Blue Samples ... ..	14	...	...	...	...	...
Ice Cream Samples (Methylene Blue) ... ..	42	...	...	...	...	...
Water-Bacteriological and Chemical Samples	112	...	...	...	...	...
Smoke Observations and other Smoke visits	4156	...	...	...	...	...
Visits and Re-Visits re Smoke Control Areas	4	...	...	...	...	...
Common Lodging Houses ... ..	14	...	...	...	...	...
Piggeries ... ..	80	...	...	...	...	...
Factories with Mechanical Power... ..	1	...	...	...	...	...
Factories without Mechanical Power	5	...	...	...	...	...
Outworkers Premises ... ..	52	...	...	...	...	...
Offensive Accumulations ... ..	61	...	...	...	...	...
Infectious Diseases ... ..	46	...	...	...	...	...
Verminous Premises ... ..	13	...	...	...	...	...
Offensive Trades ... ..	73	...	...	...	...	...
Rodent Control... ..	147	...	...	...	...	...
Public Conveniences ... ..	5	...	...	...	...	...
Overcrowding ... ..	70	...	...	...	...	...
Shops ... ..	153	...	...	...	...	...
Stoop-Closet Conversions ... ..	66	...	...	...	...	...
Diseases of Animals Acts ... ..	173	...	...	...	...	...
Refuse Removal ... ..	177	...	...	...	...	...
Refuse Disposal ... ..	44	...	...	...	...	...
Salvage... ..	23	...	...	...	...	...
Movable Dwellings ... ..	5	...	...	...	...	...
Cinemas, etc. ... ..	57	...	...	...	...	...
Committees, etc. ... ..	300	...	...	...	...	...
Interviews ... ..	3	...	...	...	...	...
Hairdressers ... ..	12	...	...	...	...	...
Pet Animals Act ... ..	5	...	...	...	...	...
Workplaces... ..	5	...	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous ... ..	10,151	544	74	568	27	23
TOTALS ... ..						



TABLE 6.

### DEFECTS REMEDIED DURING 1962:—

## Dwelling-houses

Defective	ceiling construction ... ..	25
"	plaster ... ..	36
"	floors ... ..	5
"	kitchen ranges, fireplaces and flues ... ..	6
"	leaking hot water service pipes ... ..	—
"	windows and cords ... ..	41
"	doors ... ..	6
"	staircases ... ..	4
"	damp proof courses ... ..	3
"	sinks ... ..	7
"	sink waste pipes ... ..	1
"	skirting boards ... ..	5
"	water supply ... ..	118
"	roofs ... ..	36
"	external walls ... ..	9
"	pointing and brickwork of walls ... ..	10
"	chimneys ... ..	6
"	chimney flashings ... ..	5
"	rain water pipes ... ..	10
"	eavesgutters ... ..	18
"	dustbins and sanitary pails ... ..	3
"	drains ... ..	5
"	choked W.C's. ... ..	28
"	W.C. apparatus ... ..	9
"	W.C. buildings ... ..	8
"	baths ... ..	—
"	inspection chambers and covers ... ..	4

## Factories

[illegible]

## Food Premises

[illegible]

Total ... .. 428

# INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

## Meat Inspection

A new slaughterhouse attached to the Meat Products Factory of T. Wall & Sons (Handy Foods) Ltd. was opened in October 1962, for the slaughter of pigs only. For the additional work of meat inspection that this entails two Public Health Inspectors have been engaged, and the 'kill' will steadily increase so that two more will be required in 1963.

The following table gives the results of meat inspection carried out at this slaughterhouse in 1962.

No of pigs killed ... ..	15,884
No. of pigs inspected ... ..	15,884

### ALL DISEASES OR CONDITIONS EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS.

Whole carcase condemned ... ..	14
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	1,711
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease. other than Tuberculosis	10.8%

### TUBERCULOSIS ONLY.

Whole carcasses condemned ... ..	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	642
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	4.04%

### MEAT CONDEMNED.

#### Disease or Condition.

	tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.
Tuberculosis ... ..	4	18	3	—
Bruising ... ..		6	3	10
Abscesses ... ..		16	2	11
Pyæmia ... ..		7	1	4
Peritonitis and Cirrhosis ... ..	1	6	3	23
Pleurisy ... ..		16	2	12
Inflammation ... ..		3	3	24
Decomposition ... ..		4	1	6
Moribund ... ..		5	3	2
Enteritis ... ..		14	2	22
Pericarditis ... ..		6	1	20
Miscellaneous ... ..		5	2	18
<b>Total ...</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>

## Other Food Condemned.

									Tons	Cwts	Qrs.	lbs.
Meat:—												
Canned Meat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	19	1	7	
Meat Not Canned	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	3	0	4	
Other Food:—												
Canned	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	18	3	24	
Total ...									4	1	1	7

## Food Premises.

Increased work on slum clearance, smoke control and meat inspection, has, despite increased staff, not allowed food premises to be inspected as regularly as we should like. During the year 724 visits to food premises were made.

## Milk Supply (Registration and Licences).

Under the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959, there are registered 176 Milk Distributors and 14 Dairies.

## Milk Sampling.

Six samples of raw milk were examined, all of which satisfied the Methylene Blue Test. In addition, the County Council, as licensing authority, have taken the following samples in Hyde, and submitted them to the appropriate tests in the Public Health Laboratory in Monsall Hospital, Manchester:—

- 137 samples of Tuberculin Tested Milk (5 unsatisfactory)
- 28 samples of Tuberculin Tested (Past.) Milk (4 unsatisfactory)
- 16 samples of Pasteurised Milk (1 unsatisfactory)

40 samples of T.T. milk were submitted to biological tests. None contained tubercle bacilli but four samples contained Brucella organisms. All four samples were from the same herd, and appropriate action was taken.

No sample of raw milk has been found to contain tubercle bacilli since 1959 when there was only one.

## Ice Cream.

There are six manufacturers and 150 vendors of Ice Cream on the register. Of the manufacturers, three manufacture Ice Cream regularly, one makes it only occasionally, and the remaining two retail a pre-packed Ice Cream manufactured elsewhere.

During the year 12 samples were submitted to the Methylenc Blue Test, all of which were satisfactory, 10 of these were of Ice Cream manufactured outside the Borough.

## SMOKE CONTROL.

We now have three Smoke Control Orders in operation. No. 1 (Cheetham Fold), came into operation on 1st June, 1961, and covers 653 premises (642 dwellings). No. 2 (Gee Cross) came into operation on 1st October, 1962, and covers 1,477 premises (1,411 dwellings). No 3 (Hattersley) came into operation on 1st September, 1962, and covers 12 premises (11 dwellings). Development now in progress will bring the number of dwellings in No. 2 area up to about 1,600, and Manchester Overspill housing development has commenced in Hattersley which will result in over 2,000 dwellings being built in No. 3 Area. The total area covered by these Orders is 850 acres.

The next area (No. 4 Back Bower) is due to be submitted to the Ministry early in 1963.

## Rodent Control.

Under the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949, the Local Authority is responsible for inspecting the district to discover rodent infestations. The inspection and treatment of business premises, particularly food premises, occupies a large proportion of the time of the rodent operative..

In addition, much work has been done in treating infestations in private dwellings (this work being carried out free of charge); in inspecting Local Authority property and treating where necessary; and in carrying out two "maintenance treatments" for the destruction of rats in sewers together with surface treatments of the Sewage Works.

The number of premises found to be infested during the year was 160 (91 rats, 69 mice). Of the 69 infestations by mice none could be classed as "serious". A total of 192 treatments was carried out to deal with these infestations, and the number of visits made was 1,680.

The table on page 43 gives details of the work done:—



**PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949**  
**Report for 12 months ended 31st December, 1962**  
**TYPE OF PROPERTY**

	Local Authority	Dwelling Houses	All other (including Business & Industrial)	Total	Agri- cultural
1 Total number of properties in Local Authority's district ..	15	11975	2109	14099	46
2 Number of properties inspected as a result of (a) notification (b) survey or (c) otherwise ...	(a) — (b) 21 (c) —	120 390 —	47 251 —	167 662 —	2 17 —
3 Total Inspections carried out including re-inspections	75	980	625	1680	33
4 No. of properties inspected in Section II. which were found to be infested by :-					
(a) Rats } Major	—	—	—	—	—
Minor	3	69	30	102	1
(b) Mice } Major	—	—	—	—	—
Minor	7	45	21	73	—
5 Number of infested properties treated by the Local Authority	10	114	51	175	—
6 Total treatments carried out in- cluding re-inspections ...	10	126	44	180	—
7 Number of Notices served under section 4—					
(1) Treatment . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—
(2) Structural works (i.e. Proofing) . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—
8 Number of "Block" Control schemes carried out ...	—	—	—	—	—

It was not found necessary to take any proceedings under the Act

# **FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 and 1948**

## **1—INSPECTIONS** for purposes of provisions as to health including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors

Premises 1	M/c line No. 2	Number on Register 3	Number of			M/c line No. 7
			Inspections 4	Written Notices 5	Occupiers Prosecuted 6	
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	1	36	—	—	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority ... ..	2	272	—	—	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises) ... ..	3	21	—	—	—	—
<b>TOTAL ...</b>		<b>329</b>		—	—	

## **2—CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND**

Particulars 1	M/c line No. 1	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which proceedings were instituted 7	M/c line No., 8
		Found 3	Remedied 4	Referred to H.M. Insp'tor 5	Referred by H.M. Insp'tor 6		
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	4	—	—	—	—	—	4
Overcrowding (S.2)... ..	5	—	—	—	—	—	5
Unreasonable temperatures (S.3) ... ..	6	—	—	—	—	—	6
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)... ..	7	—	—	—	—	—	7
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) .. ..	8	—	—	—	—	—	8
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)—							
(a) Insufficient ... ..	9	—	—	—	—	—	9
(b) Unsuitable or defective ... ..	10	—	—	—	—	—	10
(c) Not separate for sexes ... ..	11	—	—	—	—	—	11
Other Offences against the Acts (not including offences relating to Outwork)	12	—	—	—	—	—	12
<b>TOTAL ...</b>		—	—	—	—	—	

## **3—OUTWORKERS.** 40 outworkers were registered, all of whom made wearing apparel.

## Diseases of Animals Acts.

Two outbreaks of Swine Fever occurred in the borough during the year. The first, in April, was believed to have originated in a Cheshire market. 40 pigs bought there all died, but 15 pigs already on the farm escaped infection, though they were sent for slaughter in May.

The second case occurred in September. Ten pigs died over a period of 15 days, and the remaining 34 pigs were sent for slaughter.

Hyde was included in a Swine Fever Infected Areas Special Order, which came into operation in December, and which covered four counties.

During the year 28 applications for licences for the movement of cattle or pigs, and 37 licences reporting movement of animals were received, and the necessary visits and inspections made.

## Shops — Hours of Closing

Routine visits have been made to shops. No complaints of trading outside permitted hours were received during the year.

## Refuse Collection

A regular weekly collection of domestic refuse was again maintained, apart from short periods around holidays. This is undoubtedly largely due to the Bin Incentive Bonus Scheme which we have operated since February, 1952. The men are required to complete a basic task of 120 bins per man per day, and a bonus of 3d. paid for every bin in excess of that figure.

	1962
Total Ashbins emptied ... ..	629,398
No. of loads of refuse collected ... ..	5,748
Estimated weight of refuse collected ... ..	16,924 tons

## Refuse Disposal

All our refuse was disposed of by controlled tipping in Hallbottom. It was anticipated that we should have to move to the new site in Raglan Street before the end of 1962, but this has not been necessary, though we shall do so early in 1963. Agreement for the purchase of the Dunkirk Farm site has also been completed.

## Salvage

The following are the quantities of salvage material sold during 1962:—

	tons	cwts.	qrs.
Waste Paper ... ..	180	9	2
Bottles ... ..	8	5	2
Textiles ... ..	5	17	1
Metals .. ..		5	3











